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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 3, 2003, applicant elects the invention of Group I, drawn to the embodiment of claims 1-12, 14, 15, and 30. Applicant also elects a bladder disorder characterized by inflammation.

The election is made with traverse. Claim 1 is directed to a method of "modulating an immune response" and encompasses both "preventive" methods (Group I) as well as "therapeutic" methods (Group III). If applicant were to choose only Group I or Group III, such a choice would improperly require applicant to refashion and limit the scope of the claimed invention (i.e., to exclude the non-elected group). Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that independent claim 1 should be examined as presently written and that the requirement for restriction between Groups I and III should be withdrawn.

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